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Mr. Darrell Nitschke  
Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 E. Boulevard, Dept. 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

**RE: Courtenay Wind Farm, LLC's Certificate of Site Compatibility Application for the Courtenay Wind Farm in Stutsman County, North Dakota  
Case No. PU-13-64**

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

On October 25, 2013, Courtenay Wind Farm, LLC ("Courtenay"), filed with the North Dakota Public Service Commission ("Commission") late-filed Exhibit 15, which provided an Updated Technical Memorandum – Cultural Resources Investigation summarizing the results of Courtenay's Class III Cultural Resource Inventory Report for the Courtenay Wind Farm (*see* Exhibit A to late-filed Exhibit 15). Thereafter, Courtenay received a letter from the North Dakota State Historical Society, State Historic Preservation Office ("SHPO"), dated October 25, 2013, concurring with the determination set forth in Courtenay's Class III Cultural Resource Inventory Report.

Enclosed please find an original and nine (9) copies of the October 25, 2013 SHPO letter as a supplement to late-filed Exhibit 15. PDF versions of the SHPO letter and this letter were filed via e-mail with the Commission today. Please note that I have also sent a copy of the SHPO letter and this letter directly to Mitch Armstrong.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mollie M. Smith".

MOLLIE M. SMITH

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Enclosure

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**NDSHPO REF.: 13-0633b PSC PU-13-64 "Class III Cultural Resource Inventory  
Courtenay Wind Energy Center Stutsman County, North Dakota"**

Dear Mr. Holven,

We reviewed NDSHPO REF.: 13-0633a PSC PU-13-64 "Class III Cultural Resource Inventory Courtenay Wind Energy Center Stutsman County, North Dakota" and find the report acceptable as revised, (Adam C. Holven, Tetra-Tech, October 2013). We concur with a "No Significant Sites" determination for the project as described and mapped in the above-captioned report, provided sites 32SN758 and 23SN764 are avoided, and provided all construction work remains within the surveyed boundaries. If there are project changes or addendums outside the surveyed boundaries, please provide additional Class III reports.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project, as described to date. If you have questions please contact Susan Quinnell at [squinnell@nd.gov](mailto:squinnell@nd.gov) or (701) 328-3576.

Sincerely,

Merlan E. Paaverud, Jr.  
State Historic Preservation Officer (North Dakota)  
and  
Director, State Historical Society of North Dakota